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LAST EDITION.

WITH RIFLE FIRE.

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Desultory Firing Continued Throughout the Night.

REPORT FROM MUKDEN

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Little Information Is Coming from Field of Battle.

Liao Yang, Aug. 31.—4:45 P. M.—The battle was resumed today with rifle fire at dawn in the southwest. There was desultory firing all night. The last attack of the Japanese yesterday was made at 7 p. m. on the Feng Wang Cheng road.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—5:50 P. M.—The telegraph department declares that communication with Liao Yang is not interrupted.

A dispatch from Mukden this afternoon says it is reported there that Gen. Samsonoff has captured two Japanese battalions.

The almost entire absence of news from the battlefield of Liao Yang up to noon today is not explained by any advice from either St. Petersburg or Tokyo. It is now midnight in Manchuria and but little word has been received of events since 3 o'clock last night, when it was announced that the fierce battle that raged all yesterday ceased at 3 o'clock and both armies bivouacked on the field. The only surprise to be drawn from this absence of both press dispatches and official reports is that the telegraph line has been interrupted both of Liao Yang. General Sakharoff yesterday reported that a large Japanese force was advancing northward along the Tai-tzu river, west of the railroad.

Such a movement, if accomplished, would interrupt this force between Liao Yang, the Russian base and Mukden, and would cut Kuropatkin's communications north. Added probability is given to this surmise by the fact that the Associated Press received almost hourly dispatches from Liao Yang, one timed at 6:49 p. m., detailing the battle up to that hour, being received in New York at 1:15 p. m., while up to noon today no advice were received.

St. Petersburg Is Anxious.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—9 p. m.—The great anxiety here for news of today's battle had not been relieved at this hour. No press or private dispatches giving details of the fighting have arrived and the explanation given is that the wires are probably busy with official messages. It is positively stated, however, that the emperor this afternoon received a telegram from General Kuropatkin but the contents can not be learned.

The general staff does not doubt that the losses yesterday were heavy on both sides, but the staff doubts that in the absence of direct information the figures mentioned are largely guesses.

Battle Fleet Plans Unchanged.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 31.—4:10 p. m.—The Associated Press is enabled to state authoritatively that there has been no change in plans regarding the Baltic squadron on account of the result of the sea fight off Port Arthur August 10. The maneuvering and firing trials of the ships have been completely successful and the squadron has now returned to Cronstadt to await the finishing touches on the battleship Orskan and the cruisers Oleg, Izumrud and Jemichug.

The Associated Press is again authorized to give the most absolute denial of the reports that any guns aboard the ships have been damaged by the Oboukoff works. It is further asserted, ever burst.

The Associated Press is also positively assured that the Japanese statement on which they base their demand that the crews of the Askold and Grozovoi, at Shanghai, be interned until the end of the war, namely, that the officers and men of the Varlag and Koretz are on board ships bound for the far east, is untrue. The crews of these vessels have been distributed among the school and training squadrons and on shore duty in the Baltic and Black sea, but not on man or one officer is on board.

Wireless Station Dismantled.

Washington, Aug. 31.—The state department has received a cablegram from Constantinople, Turkey, saying that the Russian wireless telegraph station there has been dismantled.

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KAISER'S CHILDREN NOT ANGELS

He Objects to Having Them Depicted as Such.

Berlin, Aug. 31.—The architect who designed the restoration of the Protestant church at Spire, capital of Rhenish Bavaria, which was dedicated today, selected the portraits of the seven imperial children in their fourth year for the heads of seven angels in the windows around the chancel. The emperor objected, saying: "My children are no angels."

The empress, however, thought the idea charming and it was accordingly executed.

ROBBED OF \$900.

Express Agent Held Up as Train Entered Station.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Aug. 31.—Upon arrival of the Oregon Express on the Oregon Short Line at Kemmerer, Wyo., at 2 o'clock this morning four men stepped out from the shadow of a building near the depot and as soon as the door of the express car was opened by the messenger, two of them held him up, while two others stood off the station agent. A package containing \$900 pay off the employees of the Kemmerer Coal company was demanded and was given to the robbers, who disappeared.

Sheriff James and Deputy Jones of Evanston went on a special train to the scene of the robbery and are now in pursuit of the robbers.

The robbers are believed to be em-

JUMPS ON WHITE.

David Bennett Hill Attacks the Emporia Editor

In a Speech Delivered at Broome Co., N. Y. Fair.

MAGAZINE ARTICLE.

Is Made the Subject of Some Bitter Remarks.

Mr. White Denies That His Story Was Inspired.

Binghamton, N. Y., Aug. 31.—Former Senator David B. Hill was the guest today of the Broome county fair, which is being held at Whitney Point, and delivered an address.

Mr. Hill briefly discussed the tariff and said the Democratic platform was silent upon the money question because that question was deemed settled. The almost unanimous approval by the convention of Judge Parker's telegram operated virtually as an amendment of the platform in accordance with its terms, and the new platform necessarily superseded and eliminated all previous national plat-

TIME FOR PEACE.

King Leopold Wants President Roosevelt to Intervene.

Oyster Bay, Aug. 31.—Information was received at the executive offices here of the arrival in New York of G. Francotte, a delegate to the peace conference which is to be held at the St. Louis exposition. He is to be the bearer of credentials from the king of Belgium to President Roosevelt, and is bringing the latter to use his good offices in the restoration of peace between Russia and Japan. No engagement has been made for Francotte to see the president. The usual diplomatic proceedings would require that the bearer of a mission should call upon the secretary of state first and make through him arrangement for an interview with the president. It is likely that course will be followed in this instance.

General Kuropatkin in Command of the Russian Forces.

Plays the role of the coal company who knew of the arrival of the package as plunder.

Kemmerer, Wyo., Aug. 31.—Two heavily armed posses are now in pursuit of the robbers who early today held up the express messenger of the Oregon Express on the Oregon Short Line passenger train and took a package containing about \$900. Marshal Maymin said today that he was positive of the identity of the robbers and the wagon he would have them in custody by night. The scuffle attending the robbery last night attracted the attention of the station telegraph operator, and a number of switchmen across the tracks. They rushed toward the express car, but were immediately repelled by the robbers. After securing the money the robbers marched the express agent, operator and switchmen into the express office, locked them in and disappeared.

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LOOK AT THIS.

What the Records Show About Comanche Bonds.

Everyone Held by School Fund Is in Default.

FROM AUDITOR'S OFFICE

State Holds Nearly \$10,000 of Comanche Securities.

Two Thousand of This Declared Fraudulent.

Interesting Facts About Action of Commissioners.

One of the charges made by the State Journal in the Comanche county bond deal was that the state school fund already holds bonds of Comanche county which are in default. Nothing has been said about this or any other particular charge made by the State Journal. In the action by which the school fund commissioners hoped to bluff this paper into silence a wholesale denial is made.

The State Journal today took the trouble to investigate this feature of the case and the following facts are taken from the official records in the office of the state auditor:

There are 27 Comanche county bonds owned by the state school fund, exclusive of the \$123,000 recently purchased, and every one of the 27 bonds is in default. Some of them were due as far back as 1891.

The following is a complete list of the Comanche bonds owned by the school fund, the amount due on each, and the date when the bond fell due:

No.	Amount	When due.
1 (3)	250	1901
2	250	1901
3	250	1901
4	250	1901
5	250	1901
6	250	1901
7	250	1901
8	250	1901
9	250	1901
10	250	1901
11	250	1901
12	250	1901
13	250	1901
14	250	1901
15	250	1901
16	250	1901
17	250	1901
18	250	1901
19	250	1901
20	250	1901
21	250	1901
22	250	1901
23	250	1901
24	250	1901
25	250	1901
26	250	1901
27	250	1901

STEAL PARKER'S APPLES

Picnickers Are Giving the Judge Much Annoyance.

Esopus, N. Y., Aug. 31.—Judge Parker's candidacy has caused his place at Rosemount to be visited by picnic parties in increasing numbers. Some of the parties come from long distances. They enter the grounds without permission, make themselves at home with the utmost freedom, and leave the place littered with picnic leavings. One party recently stripped several apple trees and committed other depredations. Judge Parker has been cordial in his treatment of all visitors, but the picnickers are causing much annoyance.

SENATOR CLARK IS PURSUED.

Attacked by a Man Who Thought He Had a Bird.

Missoula, Mont., Aug. 31.—Senator Clark was attacked today by a man known as Joe Peg, who thought the senator had been breaking the game laws and was carrying a grouse in his pocket and who threatened to take the senator's life. Peg followed the senator several blocks, persistently calling upon him to hand over the grouse. Senator Clark ran panting to the lobby of the Florence hotel and demanded protection. He was sure that Peg had a gun, for several times the latter had made motions to pull it out. Peg threatened to shoot at the senator gave up his game bird. Several persons sprang to his assistance and the man was overpowered.

FOR A FAIR FAIR WEEK.

Cider Smith Issues a Forecast Covering That Period.

"Cider" Smith has issued the following forecast to cover fair week in Topeka:

So far as I can see the week of the state fair, September 12 to 17, will be generally fair. The equinox coming a week later will probably be out of the way as the storm period of the 17th and 18th being important would naturally draw together."

REMOUSE CAUSES SUICIDE.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 31.—James B. Hawley, a prominent politician, committed suicide last night by taking strychnine.

Hawley had been ill for some time, and his brother April 18, 1902. At that time James B. Hawley was exonerated on the ground of self defense.

Light Rain Today.

The rain today amounts to .16 of an inch. Following are the temperatures as recorded by the government thermometer:

7 o'clock.....69.11 o'clock.....72
8 o'clock.....70.12 o'clock.....74
9 o'clock.....71.2 o'clock.....75
10 o'clock.....71.3 o'clock.....75
Wind 12 miles, from the south.

MEAT FAMINE.

Strikers Are Endeavoring to Bring One About.

125 Special Policemen Lay Down Their Clubs.

STRIKE IS EXTENDED.

President Donnelly of Butchers Issues a New Order.

Calling Out Workmen in the Independent Concerns.

STOCKHANDLERS QUIT.

Voted Last Night to Go Out at 10 O'clock Today.

Strike Leader Expects to Get Railroad Switchmen Out.

Chicago, Aug. 31.—Famine in meat is declared by the strikers to be the probable result of their new move in the strike against the packers. Orders have been issued for a general strike of all butcher workmen throughout the country. They are expected to go out tomorrow. The order will affect in all about 2,000 men in Chicago and ten independent plants. The order, if observed, will also affect independent plants of large capacity in East St. Louis, Omaha, Kansas City, Sioux City, New York, Milwaukee, Syracuse, St. Paul, Minneapolis, and hundreds of smaller plants throughout the country which employ from 10 to 20 men. Altogether union officials assert that 15,000 men will go out, and the meat supply will be seriously crippled, leaving as the only supply the output of the big packers by their nonunion help. Today the pickets surrounding the yards were largely increased and strikers breakers were warned not to leave the yards. Six hundred stock handlers at the yards quit work today. They were greeted by cheers by the union pickets. The packers say it is Donnelly's aim to create a meat famine, which he thinks would arouse the public to such a pitch of indignation that a settlement would be forced.

"Donnelly is undertaking the impossible," said a representative of one of the packers.

In addition to the stock handlers, 125 special policemen and nearly 400 men of the police force, and a large number of men employed by the Union Stock Yards company, also quit work.

Efforts are being made to call out the switchmen who are employed by the Chicago Junction Railway company. Frank P. Hawley, grand master of the Switchmen's Union of North America, has been summoned to Chicago with the view of getting switchmen throughout the United States to refuse to handle cars containing anything of the kind.

INDEPENDENT PLANTS INCLUDED.

Chicago, Aug. 31.—President Donnelly has ordered 1,500 butcher workmen employed in the independent packing plant to cease work after today. He said that if these men continued slaughtering cattle they would be handling stock previously looked after by the men who took the places of the stock handlers selected to quit work today. The manager of the Union Stock Yards & Transit company said, in anticipation of the strike of the stock handlers, men had been in training to take the places of deserting weighers, and but a few men were available at the time. He said further that no trouble was expected in handling the stock.

A strong effort is to be made by the union leaders now at the stockyards to spread the scope of the strike so that it will include every trade which is affiliated in even a remote degree with the packing industry.

The first step in this direction was taken last night when the stock handlers and non-employees at the yards voted to go on strike at 10 o'clock this morning. There are about 1,000 of these men and their duties are to look after the cars as they come in and to load the time of their arrival and the time of their killing. Their action, therefore, will make it incumbent upon the packers to cause work after today, and to make it incumbent upon the packers to cause work after today, and to make it incumbent upon the packers to cause work after today.

A SHALLOW OIL WELL.

Sand Shot at 180 Feet in a Property Near Coffeyville.

Coffeyville, Kan., Aug. 31.—Without a doubt one of the shallowest oil wells on record is that of the Widen No. 1, four miles west of Topeka. The well is owned by R. L. Plunkett of this city and others. The pay sand was struck at 180 feet and the well shot. The showing was good, and considering the depth, the well is a bonanza.

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NO STATE TICKET.

Helena, Mont., Aug. 31.—A small convention of the Prohibition party of Montana was held here today and it was decided to abandon the idea of placing a state ticket in the field. Three presidential electors were named as follows: J. W. Bennett of Missoula, J. A. Longstaff of Helena and T. F. Stevenson of Bozeman.